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Title: Process for Manufacturing Morpholino-Nucleotides,

and Use Thereof for the Analysis of and Labelling of Nucleic Acid Sequences

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AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application. A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed. Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the ☐ \$55.00 (2814) ☐ \$110.00 (1814) fee per Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed. Also enclosed is/are a Fourth Information Disclosure Statement ☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed. Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the □ \$385.00 (2801) □ \$770.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments <u>not</u> be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above. Applicant(s) previously submitted for which continued examination is requested. ■ Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed. A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.

No additional claim fee is required.

An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below.

AMENDED CLAIMS								
	No. of Claims	Highest No. of Claims Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Rate	Additional Fee			
Total Claims	4	MINUS 32 =	0	x \$18.00 (1202) =	\$ 0.00			
Independent Claims	4	MINUS 8 =	0	x \$86.00 (1201) =	\$ 0.00			
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The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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